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and Method

Group Art Unit: 1724

Examiner Name: Christopher Upton

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT  
AND AMENDMENT

**I. INTRODUCTION**

This is in response is to the Office Action mailed August 30, 2004. In the Office Action the shortened statutory period was set to expire in one (1) month or on September 30, 2004.

The Examiner sought a restriction of the claims and an election.

The claims were grouped as follows:

- I - Claims 15-17; and
- II - Claims 18-31

The Examiner has stated his reasons for the restriction requirement. The applicant disagrees.

However, the applicants elect Group II, Claims 18-31 (the apparatus claims).

Several minor amendments have been made. A listing of the claims is attached.